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Education

- 1998 Ph.D. Philosophy, University of Strasbourg (France). Title: “Fantasme de la communauté absolue et constitution du politique. Lien et déliaison.”
Committee: Jean-Luc Nancy (Chair), Miguel Abensour, Alain Badiou, Philippe Lacoue-Labarthe. Obtained with the mention: “Très Honorable avec félicitations du jury” (highest distinction)
- 1993 M.S. Political Science (“Communication, Technology, and Power”)
Université Paris I, Panthéon - Sorbonne
- 1989 B.S. Political Science, Institut d’Etudes Politiques (“Politics and Communication”) Lyon (France)

Academic Positions

- Sept. 2015 Assistant Professor of Comparative Literature
-Present University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Sept. 2011 Lecturer in Comparative Literature
-June 2015 University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Sept. 2009 Professor preparing seniors for the Baccalaureate exam in philosophy
-June 2011 Lycée Charlie Chaplin (Lyon)
- Sept. 2008 Society for the Humanities Fellow
-June 2009 Cornell University
- Sept. 2007 Professor preparing seniors for the Baccalaureate exam in philosophy
-June 2008 Lycée Charlie Chaplin (Lyon)
- Sept. 2001 Director of Research
-June 2007 Collège International de Philosophie (Paris)

Honors and Awards

- Sept. 2008 Society for the Humanities Fellow
-June 2009 Cornell University

Positions Requiring Scholarly Competence

- 2015 *Cahiers Philosophiques de Strasbourg*
-Present Editorial Board
- 2014 *Lignes*
-Present Editorial Board
- 2003 *Multitudes*
-Present Editorial Board

Bibliography

Books

- 2017 *Echapper à l'horreur. Court traité des interruptions merveilleuses* – Escape from Horror: Short Treatise on Marvelous Interruptions (Fécamp, Nouvelles Editions Lignes, forthcoming in November). With a preface by Jean-Luc Nancy. 77 pages.
- 2016 *La Part inconstructible de la Terre. Critique du Géo-constructivisme* – The Unconstructible Part of the Earth: A Critique of Geo-constructivism (Paris, Éditions du Seuil). 368 pages. Under contract at Fordham University Press (forthcoming, 2019) [P]
- 2015 *Homo Labyrinthus. Humanisme, antihumanisme, posthumanisme* – Homo Labyrinthus: Humanism, Antihumanism, Posthumanism (Bellevaux, Editions Dehors). 173 pages.
- 2014 *Atopias. Manifeste pour la Philosophie* – Atopias: Manifesto for Philosophy (Caen, Editions Nous). 124 pages. Translated into English as *Atopias. Manifesto for a Radical Existentialism* (Fordham UP, Forthcoming October 2017 trans. Walt Hunter and Lindsay Turner, with a preface by Steven Shaviro) [P]
- 2013 *Le Communisme existentiel de Jean-Luc Nancy* – The Existential Communism of Jean-Luc Nancy (Fécamp, Nouvelles Editions Lignes). 72 pages.
- 2011 *Clinamen. Flux, absolu et loi spirale* – Clinamen: Flux, the Absolute, and the Law of the Spiral (Paris, e@e). 215 pages.
- 2011 *Le terrorisme, un concept piégé* – Terrorism: A Booby-Trapped Concept (Paris, e@e - a new edition of *Le terrorisme. La tentation de l'abyme* (Paris, Larousse, 2009)). 223 pages.
- 2009 *Instructions pour une prise d'âmes. Artaud et l'envoûtement occidental* - Instructions for the Taking of Souls: Artaud and the Spell of the West (Paris, La Phocide). 76 pages. [P]

- 2008 *Biopolitique des catastrophes. La politique sur le qui-vive* – Biopolitics of Catastrophes: Politics on the Alert (Paris, MF). 170 pages.
- 2008 *L'indemne. Heidegger et la destruction du monde* – The Unscathed: Heidegger and the Destruction of the World (Paris, Sens et Tonka, “Collège International de Philosophie” series). 212 pages. [P]
- 2005 *Surexposés. Le Monde, le Capital, la Terre* – Overexposed: The World, Capital, and the Earth (Paris, Lignes – Manifeste). 320 pages.
- 2003 *L'image hors-l'image* – Images beyond Images (Paris, Leo Scheer). 220 pages.
- 2002 *Fantasma de la communauté absolue* – The Fantasy of the Absolute Community (Paris, L'Harmattan). 429 pages. [P]

Editions and Collections

- 2017 Special Issue Editor (in collaboration with Frédéric Bisson), *Multitudes*, “Matières pensantes” - Vol. 65.
- 2014 Special Issue Editor, *Multitudes*, “Politiques romantiques” - Vol. 55.
- 2012 Special Issue Editor (in collaboration with Yves Citton), *Multitudes*, “Envoûtements médiatiques” - Vol. 51.
- 2010 Special Issue Editor (in collaboration with Sandra Laugier), *Multitudes*, “Désobéir à la limite” - Vol. 41.
- 2008 Special Issue Editor (in collaboration with Charles Ruelle), *Labyrinthe*, “Ecologie = X” - Vol. 30, n°2.
- 2006 Special Issue Editor (in collaboration with Emmanuel Videcoq), *Multitudes*, “Ecopolitique non!” - Vol. 24.
- 2004 Special Issue Editor (in collaboration with Jérôme Maucourant), *Rue Descartes*, “Dernières nouvelles du capital” - Vol. 55.

Articles

- 2017 “Enquête sur le Nouveau Champ Spéculatif” (with Frédéric Bisson) *Multitudes* n°65, 34-41.
- 2016 “Planetary Antigones: The Environmental Situation and the Wandering Condition” *Qui Parle?* 24(3). 35-64. [P]
- 2016 “La Matière Sombre. Courte Etude sur les Nouveaux Matérialismes et leur Sombre Revers” *Lignes* n°51. 117-130.

- 2016 “NO/US: The Nietzschean Democracy of Jean-Luc Nancy” *Diacritics* 43(4). 66-87. [P]
- 2016 “The Biopolitics of Catastrophe, or How to Avert the Past and Regulate the Future” *South Atlantic Quarterly* 115(2), April 2016. 247-265. Translated as “La biopolitica della catastrofe” *Lo Sguardo - rivista di filosofia* n. 21, (II). [P]
- 2015 “Economy of Turbulence: How to Escape from the Global State of Emergency?” *Philosophy Today* 59(4). 657-669. [P]
- 2015 “Сумеречное воображение: вымысел, миф и иллюзия (Twilight imagination: Fiction, Myth, and Illusion)” *Logos* n°25 #3, 179-196.
- 2015 “La fin du monde ne sera pas télévisée. Étude logique, esthétique et psychologique sur le cinéma apocalyptique” *Ecrire l’Histoire* n°15 (CNRS Editions). 109-118.
- 2015 “Le cinéma éco-apocalyptique. Anthropocène, Cosmophagie, Anthropophagie” *Communications* n°96 (CNRS/EHESS – Editions du Seuil), 67-78. [P]
- 2014 “Critique du géo-constructivisme. Anthropocène et géo-ingénierie” *Multitudes* n°56. 37-47.
- 2012 “L’imagination crépusculaire. Fictions, mythes et hallucinations” *Multitudes* n°48. 135-144.
- 2011 “Désajointements. L’existence, son amour et sa haine” *Variations* n°15. 35-48.
- 2011 “Intact” *SubStance* Vol.40 n°3. 105-114. [P]
- 2010 “The Birth of Immunopolitics” *Parrhesia* Issue 10. 31-38.
- 2010 “Avant-propos sur les sociétés de clairvoyance” *Multitudes* n°40, 104-111.
- 2009 “Dés-intégrer. Programme philosophique” *Rue Descartes* n°64, 66-75.
- 2008 “Les collectifs asymétriques de la terre” *Les Cahiers Philosophiques de Strasbourg* n°24. *Que faire de la communauté ?* Strasbourg. 109-131. [P]
- 2008 “Ecologistes, encore un effort pour être antihumanistes. Ecologie, humanisme et capitalisme” *Labyrinthe* n°30, Paris, Maisonneuve & Larose. 101-111.
- 2008 “Civilisation as Crash Test” *Caderno Sesc Videobrasil*. Vol.4. Portuguese version: “A civilização como crash test.” 46-53.

- 2006 “Résister, c’est percevoir – à propos de *They Live* de John Carpenter” *Rue Descartes* n°53, Paris, PUF, 110-115. [P]
- 2006 “Avances sur images” *Rue Descartes*, n°53, Paris, PUF, 15-29. [P]
- 2005 “Heidegger et l’ontologie de la consommation” *Rue Descartes* n°49, PUF, 8-19. [P]
- 2003 “La surexposition” *Rue Descartes* n°42, PUF, 38-49. [P]
- 2001 “Marx: de la production du communisme à la soustraction prolétarienne” *Actuel Marx* n°29, PUF. [P]

Chapters in Books:

- 2017 “Elements for an Ecology of Separation. Beyond Ecological Constructivism” in Erich Hörl and James Burton (ed.) *General Ecology. The New Ecological Paradigm*, London, Bloomsbury. 101-127 [P]
- 2016 “Nietzsche et la Relance métaphorique” in Alain Jugnon and Dorian Dastor (ed.) *Pourquoi nous sommes nietzschéens*, Bruxelles, Les Impressions Nouvelles. 195-213.
- 2016 “Besetzen der Zukunft. Zeit und Politik im Zeitalter der hellseherischen Gesellschaften” (Occupying the Future. Time and Politics in the Era of Clairvoyance Societies) in Susanne Witzgall, Kerstin Stakemeier (Hg.), *Die Gegenwart der Zukunft*, Berlin, Zürich: diaphanes. 85-98. [P]
- 2014 “L’alien des alien. Ripley et la Fonction Etrangère” in *Métaphysique d’Alien*, edited by Jean-Clet Martin, Paris, Leo Sheer. 97-107.
- 2011 “Das technologische Unbewußte” in *Die technologische Bedingung - Beiträge zur Beschreibung der technischen Welt*, (translated by Esther von der Osten and Erich Hörl), edited by Erich Hörl, Frankfurt/Main, Suhrkamp. 147-178. [P]
- 2010 “Just Ahead. Avant-gardes and Emerging Anticipations” (translated by Vincent Broqua) in *What Comes (to us)*, Dijon, Presses du reel. 31-35.
- 2010 “The Western Relation: The Politics of Humanism,” in *The Politics of Culture: Around the Work of Naoki Sakai*, edited by Richard F. Calichman and John Namjun Kim, New-York, Routledge. 177-191.
- 2010 “Sur le passage de quelques images à travers une assez courte unité de temps. Le cinéma de Guy Debord” in *Dérives pour Guy Debord*, edited by Jacob Rogozinski and Michel Vanni, Paris, Van Dieren. 219-232.
- 2010 “Le corps du terrorisme” in *Vivre en Europe. Philosophie, politique et science aujourd’hui*, edited by Bertrand Ogilvie, Diogo Sardinha and Frieder Otto Wolf, Paris, L’Harmattan. 231-249.

- 2006 “L’anti-humanisme” in *Fresh théorie 2*, edited by Mark Alizart and Christophe Kihm, Paris, Leo Scheer, 390-404.
- 2006 “Au pire... Heidegger et le danger de l’être” in *Heidegger, le danger et la promesse*, edited by G. Bensussan and J. Cohen, Paris, Kimé. 243-262.
- 2006 “A Sovereign Game” in *Translation, Biopolitics, Colonial Difference*, edited by Naoki Sakai and Jon Solomon. Hong Kong, Hong Kong University Press. 97-108. [P]

Public Presentations

Invited Lectures

- 2017 “What is Abstraction? From Theory to Politics” and “Escape from Horror.” “A Night of Philosophy and Ideas” organized by the Brooklyn Public Library and the Cultural Services of the French Embassy. 28-29 January.
- 2015 “Cosmophagy. Cinema and the Anthropocene” Hobart and William Smith Colleges. 4 November.
- 2015 “Quelque part dans le monde, ou comment métaboliser l’atopie?” School of Political Studies (Ottawa, Canada). 24 September.
- 2014 “Occupying the Future” Akademie der Bildenden Künste (Munich, Germany). 16 December.
- 2013 “Comment déminer le concept de terrorisme?” Université de Poitiers (France). 19 December.
- 2013 “Theory of Twilight Imagination.” Hochschulübergreifendes Zentrum Tanz of Berlin. 12 June.
- 2012 “Climatic turn: Ecopolitical Thought and the Avatars of Humanism.” Bochum University. 13 June.
- 2012 “Safeguard: The Ecological thought of Claude Levi-Strauss.” Department of French and Italian, University of Minnesota. 6 April.
- 2011 “Politics of Catastrophes.” California Institute of the Arts, organized by Arne De Boever and Martín Plot. 2 December.
- 2011 “Antihumanism: From Tümai to the Posthuman.” Institute for Advanced Study, University of Minnesota. 11 March.
- 2009 “Ce qui arrive aux images.” Université Jean Monnet (Saint-Etienne). 15 October.

- 2006 “Plutôt que rien.” Ecole supérieure des Beaux-arts (Toulon). April 5.
- 2006 “Avances sur images.” E.N.B.A. (Lyon). 11 January.

Conferences, Panels, and Workshops Organized

- 2017 “Le Conflit Politique: Logiques et Pratiques” (a conference organized with the Collège International de Philosophie). Paris. 6-8 April.
- 2016 “We Talked with God about Antonin Artaud” (a workshop co-organized with Sarah Wells). UW-Madison – Center for Visual Cultures. 17 November.
- 2016 “Terre 2.0: comment ne pas manger la Terre?” (a conference co-organized with Christophe Bonneuil). EHESS (Paris). 9 June.

Conferences and Talks

- 2017 “Exo-Realism. Realism, the Literary Surplus, and the Call Value” At the Annual Meeting of the American Comparative Literature Association (ACLA). Utrecht. 6-9 July, 2017.
- 2017 “Human, Non-Human, Inhuman” At the conference “Environmental Humanities and New Materialisms: The Ethics of Decolonizing Nature and Culture. 8th Annual Conference on the New Materialisms” Paris. 9 June.
- 2017 “L’esprit du communisme et la condition planétaire” At the conference “Le Conflit Politique: Logiques et Pratiques,” Paris. 8 April.
- 2016 “La part inconstructible de la Terre” At the conference “Terre 2.0: comment ne pas manger la Terre?” EHESS (Paris). 9 June.
- 2014 “Hegemony and Ideology” At the symposium “Thinking with Balibar,” The Heyman Center for the Humanities, Columbia University. 13 November.
- 2014 “Is There Any Body Out There?” At the symposium “Nature after Nature,” Kassel. 5 July.
- 2014 “The Empty Box and the Full Body. Inquiry on the Unconstructible Part of the Earth.” At the conference “Imagining Earth,” Bochum. 31 May.
- 2013 “Ecrans de Fumée. Fonctions du Cinéma Eco-Apocalyptique.” At the conference “L’Apocalypse, un imaginaire politique,” University of Bordeaux 3. 30-31 May.
- 2013 “Biopolitics of Catastrophes or How to Avert the Past and Regulate the Future.” At the conference “Biopolitics: Life in Past and Present,” University of Wisconsin-Madison. 3-4 May.

- 2013 "Have we Left Heaven to Angels and Sparrows? Marx and the Dangerous Loop of Self-Production," MLA conference, Boston. 3-6 January.
- 2012 "Field-Oriented Philosophy. The Atopic Part and Societies of Clairvoyance," at Millenium Conference "Materialism and World Politics" (London). Read in abstentia by Garnet Kindervater. 20-22 October.
- 2011 "*Oikos* and *Polis*. Ecopolitical Thought and the Avatars of Humanism." University of Wisconsin-Madison. 4 March.
- 2011 "Biopolitics of Catastrophes." Sawyer Seminar Session "Biopolitics: Life in Past and Present," University of Wisconsin-Madison. 11 November.
- 2010 "La Grande Conjuración," at the conference "Où est passée la vérité ? Où est passée la révolution ?" IFB and Arts Santa Mònica (Spain). 14-16 June.
- 2010 "Désajointements," at the conference "D'abord, la haine" (Bruxelles). 5-6 June.
- 2010 "La lutte des imaginaires," at the conference "La pensée et l'action dans le pouvoir," (Lausanne, Suisse). 23-25 April.
- 2009 "Conjurations," at the conference "Quel sujet du politique ?" Collège International de Philosophie (Paris). 20 June.
- 2009 "*Panta Rhei*©," at "*Water. A Workshop Across the Disciplines.*" Cornell University Society for the Humanities (Ithaca). 10 April.
- 2009 "Des-integration. A Philosophical Operation." Comparative Literature, Cornell University. 4 March.
- 2008 "Eros récidive," at the conference "Mai 68 en quarantaine," ENS-LSH (Lyon). 22-24 May.
- 2007 "Désublimation explosive," at the conference "Culture et politique – le différend culturel." 2-7 September.
- 2007 "Sur le passage de quelques images," at the conference "Guy Debord et la société du spectacle," University of Strasbourg. 22-24 February.
- 2006 "Empêcher d'exister," at the conference "Sociétés, États, "terreur" et "terrorisme" - une perspective historique et philosophique," Paris, 2-4 November.
- 2006 "Qu'en faire ?" at the conference "Effects – reprises de la politique," Ecole des Mines (Paris). 2-3 June.
- 2006 "Les collectifs asymétriques de la terre," at the conference "Communauté," Parlement des Philosophes (Strasbourg). 4-6 May.

- 2004 “Au pire... Heidegger et le danger de l'être,” at the conference “Heidegger: le danger et la promesse,” (Strasbourg). 30 November-05 December.
- 2004 “EX – ou comment être au dehors à l'ère globale ?” at the conference “L'exclusion démocratique,” University of Strasbourg. 12-13 March.
- 2003 “Souveraineté du monde,” at the conference “Retours à Marx,” Forum for European Philosophy (Paris). 27-28 February.
- 2002 “Ici le monde,” at the conference “Le capital et l'humanité” (Paris). 26-29 September.

Works in Progress

Books

- 2018 *Literature and Materialisms*. Routledge. Under contract.
This book will shed some light on the current wave of materialisms penetrating and transforming theory and literary criticism.
- 2023 *The Planetary Condition. Our Environmental Situation and Beyond*.
This book thinks together the urgent time of the endangered environment and the very long-term of the universe.

Article

- 2018 *Hegel and the Spirit of the Human Community*.
This article poses Hegel's dialectics as the affirmation that a thing is always more than itself.